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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: GRONEMEYER ET AL - 2 PCT  
SERIAL NO.: 10/581,876 EXAMINER: Cheryl L. MILLER  
FILED: AUGUST 3, 2006 GROUP: 3738  
TITLE: MAGNETIC RESONANCE COMPATIBLE MEDICAL IMPLANT

PETITION UNDER RULE 136(a) AND RULE 17(a)(3)

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, under Rule 136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 20, 2008, for three months, from November 20, 2008 to February 20, 2009. Submitted herewith, under Rule 17(a)(3), is a check in the amount of \$555.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a Small Entity.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additionally required fee, or to credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 03-2468.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Enclosure: Check in the amount of \$555.00 for a Small Entity

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP AMENDMENT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on February 11, 2009.

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